PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, George W. Bush, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove and veto House Bill No. 2915 because of the following objections:

House Bill No. 2915 would restrict the ability of local workforce development boards to seek competitive bids for local services. Senate Bill No. 1102 specifically provides earlier retirement options for employees of the Texas Workforce Commission, the Texas Department of Human Services and the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation if they are displaced by the privatization of their jobs. This Bill also intrudes in the private sector market by attempting to tell private companies how to run their business.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 20th day of June, 1997.

George W Bush Governor of Texas